

RESOLUTION 2005-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET, TEXAS IN OPPOSITION OF HOUSE BILL 3565

WHEREAS, Bexar Metropolitan Water District (BexarMet) is the sole purveyor of water and the management firm for the sewer plant for the residents and businesses located in the City of Somerset, Texas; and

WHEREAS, matters affecting BexarMet also substantially impact the well being of the residents and businesses located in the City of Somerset, Texas; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 3565, recently passed by the House Committee on Natural Resources would, for the purpose of expansion, require BexarMet to submit to a secondary approval process not required of any other water purveyor in the region; and

WHEREAS, the state has already established a comprehensive and time-consuming process for expansion approval through the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; and

WHEREAS, the time and expense of an additional approval process would be a burden to the ratepayers; and

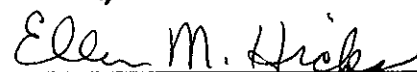
WHEREAS, BexarMet, on behalf of the ratepayers, deserves the equal opportunity to compete and expand in its service area without discrimination

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET, TEXAS that the City of Somerset urges the Texas Legislature to reject House Bill 3565.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Legislature and the local governmental entities in BexarMet's service area, Senator Madla, Representative Uristi, Representative Mike Villarreal and Representative Robert Puente.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of May 2005.


Fred Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Ellen Hicks, City Clerk

Date: May 10, 2005